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PATENT
Docket No. GC527C3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Estell et al.) Group Art Unit: 1645
Serial No.: 09/768,080) Examiner: Unassigned
Filed: January 23, 2001)
For: Proteins Producing an Altered)
Immunogenic Response and)
Methods of Making and Using)
the Same)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Missing Parts
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to considering the above-identification application on the merits, please enter the following amendment to the specification.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

(1) Please place the enclosed text entitled "Sequence Listing" after the abstract.

(2) Please replace the section "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS" at pages 6 - 7 with the following replacement section.

--- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS